

Highlights

Expenditures By Category:

The chart below shows a comparison of General Fund expenditures by expenditure category for FY 10-11 Actual Expenditures, the FY 11-12 Amended Budget, the FY 12-13 Adopted and FY 13-14 Projected Budgets.

General Fund Expenditures by Expenditure Category

	2010-11 Actual	2011-12 Budget	2012-13 Adopted	2013-14 Projected
<i>Personnel Costs</i>	148,753,238	148,777,125	150,382,706	156,735,533
<i>Maintenance & Operations</i>	82,125,955	83,972,125	85,862,539	85,758,265
<i>Debt Service</i>	16,691,700	17,068,470	17,341,880	17,515,250
<i>Capital Outlay</i>	327,784	72,516	0	0
<i>Total</i>	247,898,677	249,890,236	253,587,125	260,009,048

The General Fund Budget contains a \$1.61 million, or 1.1%, increase in budgeted personnel costs. The fund shows a net increase of about twenty-two (22) FTE positions, including fifteen (15) new firefighter positions added for Reedy Fork Fire Station, about 4.5 FTE positions for Hilltop Recreation Center and 2.5 FTE maintenance/custodian positions added for the opening of the Police Headquarters Building (former IRS Building). The budget includes funds for a merit pay adjustment that would average 1.5% for employees and implement recommendations from a recently completed Comprehensive Pay Study. The City's employer contribution for health insurance costs is increasing \$1.33 million, or about 9.1%, over the FY 11-12 budget.

Maintenance and operations (m/o) expenditures, including transfers to other funds, are budgeted at \$85.9 million, about \$1.89 million, or 2.3%, above the current year budget.

The primary drivers for costs in this category are increasing fuel costs and the planning for two new facilities to open in the next fiscal year. The budget includes a \$970,000, or 25.4% increase for gasoline and diesel fuel combined, which accounts for about one-half of the total net increase in this cost category. The adopted budget also includes m/o expenditures for the retrofit and opening of the Police Headquarters Building (the former IRS Building) and m/o expenditures associated with the

hiring for the Reedy Fork Fire Station in late FY 12-13. Combined, these two facilities will budget about \$545,000 in m/o expenditures for FY 12-13. As part of overall efforts to maintain a steady tax rate, the General Fund will absorb m/o reductions in the amount of \$1.5 million. The specific reductions are discussed in greater detail in departmental budget pages.

Various contributions made by the General Fund to support other fund operations nets an increase of about \$242,000. The contribution to the Coliseum Fund increases from \$1.47 million to \$1.90 million. The set-aside for thirty (30) grant funded Police positions increases from \$450,000 to \$900,000. These positions will become locally funded during FY 13-14. The General Fund contribution to the Solid Waste Management Fund decreases from \$3.94 million to \$3.19 million.

General Fund contributions to the Debt Service Fund will increase from \$17.1 million to \$17.3 million.

The FY 13-14 Projected Budget is \$6.4 million, or 2.5%, higher than the Adopted FY 12-13 Budget. The projected year two budget includes funding for Reedy Fork Fire Station and Hilltop Recreation Center, and the opening of the Northeast Branch Library.